

## 1 SENATE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened  
3 to learn of the passing of William P. Tomy of Downers Grove,  
4 who died March 25, 2002; and

5 WHEREAS, Mr. Tomy was director of information technology  
6 for Material Service Corporation in Chicago; and

7 WHEREAS, Mr. Tomy was born in Chicago and raised in  
8 Elmhurst; he became interested in computers in the mid-1960s,  
9 when his mother, Eleanor, suggested that her son might find a  
10 future in the field; he attended Elmhurst College, but soon  
11 enrolled in a computer school in Chicago, where he became  
12 fascinated by the language of the new electronic devices and  
13 their technology; and

14 WHEREAS, In 1972, Mr. Tomy was hired as an assistant  
15 analyst at Material Service Corp., a producer of construction  
16 materials; he learned more about computer programming and  
17 quickly rose through the ranks, finally being named director  
18 of the information technology department; and

19 WHEREAS, Mr. Tomy was an excellent manager and a very  
20 forward thinker; he truly loved his job and those he worked  
21 with; Mr. Tomy worked for Material Service Corp. for 32  
22 years; and

23 WHEREAS, As important as work was to Mr. Tomy, he also  
24 delighted in spending as much time as possible with loved  
25 ones; his family outings included dozens of boating  
26 excursions; Mr. Tomy loved his children and he would do  
27 anything for them; and

28 WHEREAS, Mr. Tomy will be deeply missed by all those who  
29 knew him and loved him, especially his wife, Patricia; his  
30 daughters, Christine Randa and Tracy Johnson; his father,  
31 Paul; his brother, Robert; and his granddaughter; therefore,

1 be it

2 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-SECOND GENERAL  
3 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn, along with  
4 his family and friends, the passing of William P. Tomy of  
5 Downers Grove; and be it further

6 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
7 presented to the family of William P. Tomy with our most  
8 sincere condolences.